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Interactions between TD und BU methods and double counting

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Top-down vs Bottom-up



Background

- Bottom-up calculations result in high savings for buildings methods
- Comparing real energy consumption (according to energy balances) and calculated energy consumption (according to bottom-up methods) a correction factor of 0,75 was applied to all bottom-up savings from buildings methods
- These corrected bottom-up savings were compared to top-down results



Calculation results for Austria

TJ	Top-down (Early Actions)	Top-down (2008–2010)	Bottom-up (Early Actions)	Bottom-up (2008–2010)
Households	50.955	5.614	32.255	12.371
Heating and hot water	46.925	4.441	28.302	10.699
Appliances	4.030	1.099	-	1.099
Lighting	-	74	14	135
Horizontal measures	-	-	3.939	438
SMEs and services	46.215	9.481	870	2.084
Mobility	6.657	4.878	-	1.804
Total	103.827	19.973	33.125	16.259



Double counting



Background

- Double counting no problem for top-down methods as long as EC model is used
- Double counting plays a role for bottom-up calculations when different actors implement the same kind of energy efficiency measures
- Bottom-up monitoring in Austria via an online database
 - Federal authorities
 - Provinces
 - Energy companies (voluntary agreements)



Method to avoid double counting

- Information from the monitoring data base:
 - Type of measure (e.g. installation of a new boiler)
 - Year of implementation
 - Province where the measure was implemented
 - User who entered the data
- Potential double counting
 - Same type of measure
 - Same year of implementation
 - Same province



Method to avoid double counting

- Potential double counting was communicated to the database users
- If double counting could not be excluded → only savings from one user were included into bottom-up savings



Future plans

- Improve process of avoiding double counting
- Database
 - More detailed information of the energy carriers
 - Improved automatic reporting/evaluation files
 - Improved communication between actors



Thank you for your attention

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